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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 03 July 2002.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-21 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-21 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 29 September 2001 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim objections

Claim 8 is objected to because of following information: Missing number 7.

The correction is required.

Claim rejections-35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

Claims 1-3, 6-8, 10-15, 17-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Macroncini et al. (U.S. 6,834,110), herein after referred to as Macroncini

1) In referring to claim 1:

Limitation : A system for communicating data and protecting rights therein,
comprising:

1a) "At least one user device with rendering application which communicates wirelessly and is capable of performing a mutual authentication with a server for receiving data" is matched (column 1, lines 11-19; column 11, lines 38-49; column 9, lines 30-50; column 69, lines 31-32; column 12, lines 53-57; column 14, lines 53-58, 27-37; column 13, lines 47-64; column 25, lines 13-30; column 24, lines 41-49).

Macroncini disclosed The Secure Digital Content Electronic Distribution System and related tools for the secure delivery and rights management using the trusted party such as Clearinghouse for transaction verification and license authorization what Shared identical functionality with "mutual authentication" of digital assets films, games, and music over global communications networks such as Internet, satellite broadcast network what are equivalent to "communicates wirelessly". Macroncini taught that The Secure Digital Content Electronic Distribution System comprises the Electronic Digital Content Store is a web server which is equivalent to " a server" and End-user device(s) which is equivalent to "user device with rendering application" such as PCS, set top boxes, and Internet application those can copy or store digital contents such as pictures, movies, videos, music, program, multimedia, and games. As a part of the web-base interaction, The end-user device makes the selection of content and provide personal information, financial information, and agreement to conditional of purchase then the Electronic Digital Content Store (s) can obtain payment authorization through Clearinghouse. So ideally Macroncini's system meets limitation "At least one user device with rendering application which communicates wirelessly and is capable of performing a mutual authentication with a server for receiving data".

1b) "A server in communication with said at least one user device and including a trusted lock" is matched (column 69, lines 30-32; column 13, lines 16-26, 45-67; column 14, lines 1-5, 23-25;).

Macroncini disclosed the Electronic Digital Content Store is web server what is equivalent to "a server" and the Clearinghouse that could be part of Electronic Digital Content Store. Macroncini taught that once Electronic Digital Content Store completes a valid request for electronic content from an End-user device this processing is shared identical functionality with "A server in communication with said at least one user device", the Electronic Digital Content Store is responsible for authorizing the Clearinghouse to release the decryption key for the electronic content to the customer. So ideally, Macroncini's system meets limitation of "A server in communication with said at least one user device and including a trusted lock".

1c) "A rights management engine for applying and enforcing user rights associated with said data" is matched (column 9, lines 63-67, column 10, lines 1-10, 26-29; column 13, lines 47-64, column 24, lines 41-67; column 25, lines 1-3, column 44, lines 11-37)

Macroncini disclosed Clearinghouse is shared identical functionality with "rights management engine". Macroncini taught that Clearinghouse takes care licensing authorization and the control, enforcement for contents distribution. Clearinghouse releases decryption keys only for authorized and appropriate usage requests and only users who have decryption keys can unlock the encrypted content. So, ideally Macroncini's Clearinghouse is equivalent to "A rights management engine". Hence,

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Macroncini's method meets limitation "A rights management engine for applying and enforcing user rights associated with said data."

1d) "A storage device for storing said data" is matched (column 12, lines 1-7, 45-57; figure 6, items 101).

Macroncini disclosed that content provider(s) are owners of data which includes encrypted content, encryption key, metadata and digital content-related data are packed in secure contain (SC) and this data is stored in a content hosting site and/ or promotional website which is equivalent to data storage device for electronic contents distribution. The content hosting site could be resided in content provider(s). So, Macroncini's ideas meet limitation "A storage device for storing said data."

1e) "A storage device for recording a time stamped and digitally signed audit trail" is matched (column 24, lines 41-49; column 26, lines 66-67; column 27, lines 1-2; column 47, lines 36-67; column 48, lines 1-45)

Macroncini disclosed Clearinghouse is a secure storage device for recording authorization of data communication in a secure audit trail because Clearinghouse maintains a Audit Logs of information such as date and time of request, date time of purchase transaction, date time of report was sent out and other information such as Identification of the content provider(s), Identification of End-user device(s). So, ideally Macroncini's meets limitation of "A storage device for recording a time stamped and digitally signed audit"

2) In referring to claim 2:

Limitation "The system according to claim 1, wherein said server, rights management engine, data storage and audit rail storage are in a secure location separate from the user device so that trusted services including timing, auditing and copying are performed in a secure environment." is matched (column 25, lines 6-13; figure 6, item 101, 105, 109; column 12, lines 1-7, 45-57; column 14, lines 19-25; column 25, lines 6-10).

Macroncini disclosed the content hosting site and/ or promotional website which is equivalent to "data storage device" for electronic contents distribution as discussion on claim (1d), and the content hosting site and/ or promotional website can reside at the content provider(s). Furthermore, Macroncini disclose Clearinghouse which is equivalent to "rights management engine" and "audit rail storage" is accessible website to the end-user device, this processing means " 'rights management engine' and 'audit rail storage' are in a secure location separate from the user device". According to figure 6, In Macroncini's system, the communication between the content provider(s), Electronic Digital Content Store(s) which is equivalent to "server", and end-user device could also be over the Internet or other network. He explained they are interconnected together through Internet or satellite. So ideally, Macroncini's system meets limitation "wherein said server, rights management engine, data storage and audit rail storage are in a secure location separate from the user device so that trusted services including timing, auditing and copying are performed in a secure environment."

3) In referring to claim 3:

Limitation "The system according to claim 1, wherein said user device includes a storage device for holding data which is released under instructions from said server." is matched (column 9, lines 35-41; column 91, lines 33-36; column 92, lines 13-24; column 61, lines 42-46; column 83, lines 20-25).

Macroncini disclosed storage device on the end-user' system to store and retrieve data such as external media, Digital Content Library. So, Macroncini's ideas meet limitation "wherein said user device includes a storage device for holding data which is released under instructions from said server."

4) In referring to claim 6:

Limitation "A method of communicating data from a server to a user device and protecting rights therein, comprising:

4a) "Authenticating identification of said server and said user device." is matched (column 25, lines 22-30; column 35, lines 29-32; column 13, lines 16-21; column 24, lines 28-34, column 45, lines 5-10).

Macroncini disclosed Clearinghouse is trusted third party for Authenticating identification between the Electronic Digital Content Store(s) which is equivalent to "a server" and End-user device what is equivalent to "user device". Macroncini taught that the Electronic Digital Content Store(s) assigned a unique application ID to End-User application Player and downloaded the End-Use Player Application to End-user device so End-User can use for application license verification. The Electronic Digital Content Store(s) then recognizes Identification of End-User at the time the End-User makes the buying selection and provides personal information. Furthermore, Macroncini disclosed

the Electronic Digital Content Store(s) completes a valid request for electronic Content from the End-Use device, the Electronic Digital Content Store(s) is also responsible for authorization the Clearinghouse which is trusted third party to release the decryption key for decrypting content to the customer. So, ideally Macroncini's method meets limitation "Authenticating identification of said server and said user device."

4b) "Requesting data to be communicated." is matched (column 13, lines 16-26; column 21, lines 11-17; column 25, lines 14-21).

Macroncini disclosed the Electronic Digital Content Store what is "a server" responses to valid request for electronic Content what is "data" from the End-user device, this is shared identical functionality with "Requesting data to be communicated."

4c) "Authorizing said data to be communicated based on rights attributed to said user device." is matched (column 9, lines 60-67; column 10 lines 1-12, 58-67; column 11, lines 1-2; column 28, lines 15-40; column 21, lines 11-65; column 22, lines 1-3).

Macroncini disclosed watermark is embedded in the content at the End-user Device(s) to identify the content purchase (or licensee) and End-user device(s), to specify the purchase or license conditions and valid date. After the Clearinghouse authorizes license, the Clearinghouse(s) provides licensing authorization by enabling end-user(s) to un-clock content after verification of a successful completion of licensing authorization. So, ideally Macroncini's method meets limitation "Authorizing said data to be communicated based on rights attributed to said user device."

4d) "Recording said authorization to provide for an trail." is matched (column 47, lines 36-67; column 48, lines 1-57)

Macroncini disclosed audit logs and tracking method, he taught that the Clearinghouse is the trusted third party who handled recording all purchase authorization processing between Electronic Digital Store(s) and End-User device. So, ideally Macroncini's method meets limitation "Recording said authorization to provide for an trail".

4 e) "Communicating said data to said user device." is matched (column 13, lines 16-26; column 21, lines 11-17; column 25, lines 14-21; column 21, lines 10- 32).

Macroncini disclosed that when the end-users complete shopping, they submit the purchase request to the Electronic Digital Content Store for processing. The Electronic Digital Content Store what is "a server" responses to valid request for electronic Content what is "data" from the End-user device, the Electronic Digital Content Store transmits the SC (SC includes encrypted data, encrypted key, metadata) to end-user, this processing is shared identical functionality with "Communicating said data to said user device."

5) In referring to claim 8:

Limitation "The method according to claim 6, wherein said data is communicated to said user device and stored therein and rendered in sections according to instructions communicated from said server." is matched (column 11, 38-40).

Macroncini disclosed Network architecture supports content distribution over Internet or satellite or cable. The architecture is designed so that content providers or retailer which are equivalent to "server" to offer Content to End-user device and enable the user to purchase or license content, play it back which is equivalent to "rendering"

and record content which is identical functionality with “store data” on various complaint player devices. So Macroncini’s ideas meet limitation “The method according to claim 6, wherein said data is communicated to said user device and stored therein and rendered in sections according to instructions communicated from said server.”

6) In referring to claim 10:

Limitation “The method according to claim 6, wherein said authorization step is performed by a digital rights management engine in communication with said server.” is matched (column 44, lines 11-37; column 77, lines 62-67; column 78, lines 1-7; column 13, lines 16-21, 47-64; column 24, lines 41-54; column 10, lines 6-11).

Macroncini disclosed Clearinghouse(s) what is equivalent to “digital rights management engine” is responsible for the right management. The clearinghouse functions include enablement of Electronic Digital Content Store(s) which is shared identical functionality with “a server”. Macroncini disclosed that Clearinghouse contacts with Electronic digital Content Store, this processing is shared identical functionality with “a digital rights management engine in communication with said server” to verify the rights to purchased contents. So, ideally Macroncini’s method meets limitation “wherein said authorization step is performed by a digital rights management engine in communication with said server.”

7) In referring to claim 11:

Limitation “The method according to claim 6, wherein said recording step is performed in a storage device to record authorization along with time and other information in order to provide a trusted audit trail, which is based on trusted time and a

trusted third party to sign the recording.” is matched (column 24, lines 41-49; column 26, lines 66-67; column 27, lines 1-2; column 47, lines 36-67; column 48, lines 1-45)

Macroncini disclosed Clearinghouse as the trusted party what is equivalent to “ a trusted third party to sign the recording”. Macroncini disclosed Audit Logs and Tracking method by using Clearinghouse. He taught that the Clearinghouse maintains a Audit Logs of information such as date and time of request, date time of purchase transaction, date time of report was sent out which are equivalent to trusted time, and other information such as Identification of the content provider(s), Identification of End-user device(s). So, ideally Macroncini’s meets limitation of “The method according to claim 6, wherein said recording step is performed in a storage device to record authorization along with time and other information in order to provide a trusted audit trail, which is based on trusted time and a trusted third party to sign the recording.”

8) In referring to claim 12:

Limitation “The method according to claim 6, wherein said data is originally stored in a content storage device connected to said server.” is matched (column 25, lines 4-13; figure 6, items 101, 103; column 12, lines 1-7, 45-57).

Macroncini disclosed that content provider(s) are owners of data which includes encrypted content, encryption key, metadata and digital content-related data are packed in secure contain (SC), the data is stored in a content hosting site and/ or promotional website for electronic distribution which is equivalent to data storage device. The content hosting site can reside at the content provider(s). Also Macroncini taught that the communication between the content provider(s) and Electronic Digital Content

Store(s) could also be over the Internet or other network. So, Macroncini's method meets limitation "A data storage device connected to said server for storing said data."

9) In referring to claim 13:

Limitation "A rights secure communication device for providing data to a user device comprising:

9a)"A server, which is capable of performing a mutual authentication with the user device" is matched (column 1, lines 11-19; column 9, lines 30-50; column 69, lines 31-32; column 12, lines 53-57; column 14, lines 53-58, 27-37; column 13, lines 47-64; column 25, lines 13-30; column 24, lines 41-49).

Macroncini disclosed The Secure Digital Content Electronic Distribution System and related tools for the secure delivery and rights management using the trusted party such as Clearinghouse for transaction verification and license authorization what Shared identical functionality with "mutual authentication" of digital assets films, games, and music over global communications networks such as Internet, satellite broadcast network. Macroncini taught that The Secure Digital Content Electronic Distribution System comprises the Electronic Digital Content Store is a web server which is equivalent to "a server" and End-user device(s) which is equivalent to "user device with rendering application" such as PCS, set top boxes, and Internet application those can copy or store digital contents such as pictures, movies, videos, music, program, multimedia, and games. As a part of the web-base interaction, The End-User device makes the selection of content and provide personal information, financial information, and agreement to conditional of purchase then the Electronic Digital Content Store (s)

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can obtain payment authorization through clearinghouse. So ideally Macroncini's system meets limitation of "A server, which is capable of performing a mutual authentication with the user device".

9 b) "A data storage device connected to said server for storing said data" is matched (column 25, lines 4-13; figure 6, items 101, 103; column 12, lines 1-7, 45-57).

Macroncini disclosed that content provider(s) are owners of data which includes encrypted content, encryption key, metadata and digital content-related data are packed in secure contain (SC), the data is stored in a content hosting site and/ or promotional website for electronic distribution which is equivalent to data storage device. The content hosting site can reside at the content provider(s). Also Macroncini taught that the communication between the content provider(s) and Electronic Digital Content Store(s) could also be over the Internet or other network. So, Macroncini's method meets limitation "A data storage device connected to said server for storing said data."

9 c) "A digital rights management engine connected to said server for determining rights attributed to authenticated users." is matched (column 25, lines 6-10; figure 6, items 105, 103).

Macroncini disclosed Electronic Digital Content Store(s) which is Shared identical functionality with "server", End-user device and the Clearinghouse(s) which is equivalent to "digital rights management engine" are interconnection by internet, and unicast (point to point) transmission is used among those components. So, Macroncini's ideas meet limitation "A digital rights management engine connected to said server for determining rights attributed to authenticated users."

10) In referring to claim 14:

Limitation "The communication device according to claim 13, further comprising a secure storage device for recording authorization of data communication in a secure audit trail" is matched (column 24, lines 41-49; column 26, lines 66-67; column 27, lines 1-2; column 47, lines 36-67; column 48, lines 1-45)

Macroncini disclosed Clearinghouse is a secure storage device for recording authorization of data communication in a secure audit trail because Clearinghouse maintains a Audit Logs of information such as date and time of request, date time of purchase transaction, date time of report was sent out and other information such as Identification of the content provider(s), Identification of End-user device(s). So, ideally Macroncini's meets limitation of "The communication device according to claim 13, further comprising a secure storage device for recording authorization of data communication in a secure audit trail"

11) In referring to claim 15:

Limitation "The communication device according to claim 13, wherein data is sent from said server to a user through a wireless communication system." is matched (column 9, lines 30-45; column 25, lines 4-13; figure 6, items 103, 109).

Macroncini disclose end-user device and Electronic Digital Content Store(s) which is equivalent to "server" could be communicated through point-to-point and broadcast infrastructures such as wireless, Internet or satellite. So, Macroncini's ideas meet limitation "The communication device according to claim 13, wherein data is sent from said server to a user through a wireless communication system."

12) In referring to claim 17:

Limitation "A mobile terminal system for receiving protected data, comprising:

12 a) "A wireless connection including a transmitter and receiver for communication with a server which stores protected data, stores data relating to rights to use said protected data and the storage device for recording transactions relating to said protected data" is matched (column 11, lines 38-67; column 12, lines 1-7, 45-57; figure 6, items 101, 105, 103, 109, column 25, lines 4-14).

Macroncini disclosed System functional elements of Secure Digital Content Electronic Distribution System includes: content hosting sites which is equivalent to data storage device can reside in content provider, Electronic content store which is equivalent to server, transmission infrastructures satellite or cable which is equivalent to transmitter, end-user device which is equivalent to receiver, and clearinghouse is storage device for recording transactions. Those functional elements of system are interconnected via Internet, and unicast (point-to-point). So, Macroncini' System meets limitation "A wireless connection including a transmitter and receiver for communication with a server which stores protected data, stores data relating to rights to use said protected data and the storage device for recording transactions relating to said protected data" is matched."

12 b) "A decryption engine for decrypting encrypted data sent from said server through said wireless connection" is matched (column 30, lines 18-24).

Macroncini disclosed End-User Player Application is shared identical functionality with "A decryption engine" uses the Symmetric Keys from the License SC(s) to decrypt

the encrypted Content. So, Ideally Macroncini's method meets limitation "A decryption engine for decrypting encrypted data sent from said server through said wireless connection."

12 c) "A rendering device for rendering said decrypting data to a user of said mobile terminal." is matched (column 14, lines 27-52; column 94, lines 30-67; column 95, lines 1-11).

Macroncini disclosed set top box is shared identical functionality with rendering device. Set top box receives data package, and displays data to users by using GUI (graphical user interface). So Macroncini ideas meet limitation "A rendering device for rendering said decrypting data to a user of said mobile terminal."

13) In referring to claim 18:

Limitation "The method according to claim 17, wherein said mobile terminal includes a data storage device for temporarily storing protected data." is matched (column 92, lines 12-27; column 9, lines 30-50).

Macroncini disclosed Digital Content Library which is equivalent to "data storage" on the user system such as PCs, set-top boxes and Internet applications which is equivalent to "mobile terminal" is used to store set of songs is "data" that have been purchased. So, ideally Macroncini's system meets limitation "wherein said mobile terminal includes a data storage device for temporarily storing protected data."

14) In referring to claim 19:

Limitation "A computer program embodied on a computer readable medium and executable by a computer to communicate data having protected rights, comprising:

14 a) "Communicating wirelessly with a mobile terminal controlled by a user" is matched (column 9, lines 35-45)

Macroncini disclosed Secure Digital Content Electronic Distribute System, in this system, the content is distributed from Electronic Digital Content Store(s) which is equivalent to server to end-user device using method point-to-point, and broadcast infrastructures such as Internet, satellite and wireless. So, Macroncini's ideas meet limitation "Communicating wirelessly with a mobile terminal controlled by a user."

14 b) "Determining rights of said user in protected data using a rights management engine" (column 9, lines 63-67, column 10, lines 1-10, 26-29; column 13, lines 47-64, column 24, lines 41-67; column 25, lines 1-3, column 44, lines 11-37)

Macroncini disclosed Clearinghouse is shared identical functionality with "rights management engine". Macroncini taught that Clearinghouse takes care licensing authorization and the control, enforcement for contents distribution. Clearinghouse releases decryption keys only for authorized and appropriate usage requests and only users who have decryption keys can unlock the encrypted content. So, ideally Macroncini's Clearinghouse is equivalent to "A rights management engine". Hence, Macroncini's method meets limitation "Determining rights of said user in protected data using a rights management engine."

14 c) "Recording an audit trail of communications with said mobile terminal in a storage device." is matched (column 24, lines 41-49; column 26, lines 66-67; column 27, lines 1-2; column 47, lines 36-67; column 48, lines 1-45)

Clearinghouse is a secure storage device for recording authorization of data communication in a secure audit trail because clearinghouse maintains a Audit Logs of information such as date and time of request, date time of purchase transaction, date time of report was sent out and other information such as Identification of the content provider(s), Identification of End-user device(s). So, ideally Macroncini's meets limitation of "Recording an audit trail of communications with said mobile terminal in a storage device."

15) In referring to claim 20:

Limitation "A computer program according to claim 19, further comprising storing said protected data in a secure location separate from said mobile terminal wherein all operations regarding said protected data are performed in a secure environment." is matched (column 25, lines 4-13; figure 6, items 101, 103 109; column 12, lines 1-7, 45-57).

Macroncini disclosed the content hosting site and/ or promotional website which is equivalent to "data storage device" for electronic contents distribution as discussion on claim (1d), and the content hosting site and/ or promotional website can reside at the content provider(s). Also Macroncini taught that the communications between the content provider(s), Electronic Digital Content Store(s), end-user device could also be over the Internet or other network what mean "storing said protected data in a secure location separate from said mobile terminal". So, Macroncini's method meets limitation "A computer program according to claim 19, further comprising storing said protected

data in a secure location separate from said mobile terminal wherein all operations regarding said protected data are performed in a secure environment.”

16) In referring to claim 21:

Limitation “The system according to claim 1, wherein said data is stored in protected form.” is matched (column 10, lines 23-29).

Macroncini disclosed content is encrypted within secure container and only users who have received the decryption keys from clearinghouse can un-clock and use data. So Macroncini ideas meet limitation “The system according to claim 1, wherein said data is stored in protected form.”

Claim rejections-35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

17) Claim 4, 5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable
Macroncini et al. (U.S. 6,834,110), as applied to claim 1 above, and further in view of
Laursen et al. (U.S. 6,065,120)

17a) In referring to claim 4:

Limitation "The system according to claim 1, wherein said user device is a wireless communication terminal such as a mobile station, a WAP-capable cellular telephone, an extended markup language capable cellular telephone, or a cellular phone with a processor-based system connected to it" is matched (column 9, lines 33-54).

Macroncini disclosed:

- At least one user device with rendering application which communicates wirelessly and is capable of performing a mutual authentication with a server for receiving data
- A server in communication with said at least one user device and including a trusted lock
- A rights management engine for applying and enforcing user rights associated with said data
- A storage device for storing said data
- A storage device for recording a time stamped and digitally signed audit trail

But Macroncini failed to disclose "user device is a wireless communication terminal such as a mobile station, a WAP-capable cellular telephone, an extended markup language capable cellular telephone, or a cellular phone with a processor-based system connected to it." However, Laursen disclosed the network channel could be used to transmit data between a cellular phone and data server. It would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made of

“user device is a wireless communication terminal such as a mobile station, a WAP-capable cellular telephone, an extended markup language capable cellular telephone, or a cellular phone with a processor-based system connected to it” because cellular phone is equivalent to mobile station or a WAP-capable cellular telephone. The combination would have been obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to provide the users with portable, convenient and instant access to information being sought in the Internet.

17b) In referring to claim 5:

Limitation “The system according to claim 4, wherein said wireless terminal is an ‘always on’ device” is matched (column 9, lines 33-54).

Laursen disclosed user device such as cellular telephone what is an “always-on” device. The combination would have been obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to provide the users with portable, convenient and instant access to information being sought in the Internet.

18) Claim 16 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable
Macroncini et al. (U.S. 6,834,110), as applied to claim 1 above, and further in view of
Laursen et al. (U.S. 6,065,120)

In referring to claim 16:

Limitation “The communication device according to claim 15, wherein said wireless communication system is ‘Always-on’ connection.” is matched (column 9, lines 33-54).

Macroncini disclosed:

- “A server, which is capable of performing a mutual authentication with the user device”
- “A data storage device connected to said server for storing said data”
- “A digital rights management engine connected to said server for determining rights attributed to authenticated users.”

But he failed to teach about “wherein said wireless communication system is ‘Always-on’ connection.” However, Laursen disclosed user device such as cellular phone what is an “always-on” device. The combination would have been obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to provide the users with portable, convenient and instant access to information being sought in the Internet.

19) Claim 9 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Macroncini et al. (U.S. 6,834,110), as applied to claim 1 above, and further in view of Laursen et al. (U.S. 6,065,120)

In referring to claim 9:

Limitation “The method according to claim 8, wherein said wireless communication is an ‘always on’ connection.” is matched (column 9, lines 33-54).

Macroncini disclosed:

“Authenticating identification of said server and said user device”

“Requesting data to be communicated.”

“Authorizing said data to be communicated based on rights attributed to said user device.”

"Recording said authorization to provide for an trail."

"Communicating said data to said user device."

But he failed to teach about "The method according to claim 8, wherein said wireless communication is an 'always on' connection." However, Laursen disclosed user device such as cellular telephone what is an "always-on" device. The combination would have been obvious because one of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to provide the users with portable, convenient and instant access to information being sought in the Internet.

Conclusion

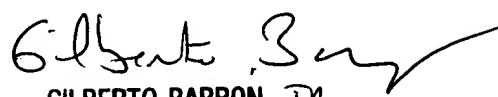
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